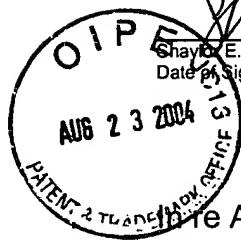


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Please amend the subject U.S. Patent Application as indicated on the following sheets: